

Upcoming meetings and reminders

- August 14, 2023, Noon 3:00 p.m. | Commingled Recycling Processing Facilities Technical Workgroup Meeting 5 (<u>Register in advance</u>)
- August 22, 2023, 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. | Recycling Council Meeting 8 (<u>Register in advance</u>)
- September 19, 2023, 9:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. | Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting 2 (Register in advance)

Recycling Council

The next meeting of Oregon's Recycling Council is Tuesday, August 22, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. The council will receive information about covered product exemption requests. Public input is welcome during Recycling Council meetings! Please visit the <u>Recycling Council website</u> to register for meetings and view the agenda.

First Rulemaking Process

The public comment period for the first RMA rulemaking process closed July 28. Many thanks to everyone who submitted comments and participated in the development of the draft rule language! DEQ staff are currently reviewing comments and drafting responses, which will be published later this fall in the staff report to the Environmental Quality Commission. DEQ intends to present the proposed rules for consideration by the Environmental Quality Commission at its meeting scheduled for Nov. 16-17, 2023.

Second rulemaking process

The RMA's second rulemaking process launched in July with the first meeting of a new Rulemaking Advisory Committee. The RAC began the discussion of living wages and supportive benefits for workers at commingled recycling processing facilities. At its next meeting on September 19, the RAC will discuss rule concepts related to the Material Impact Reduction and Reuse Program and contamination reduction programming.

The second rulemaking will cover a variety of other topics, including:

- Permitting and certification standards for commingled recycling processing facilities
- Contamination Management Fee and Processor Commodity Risk Fee paid to recycling processors by producer responsibility organizations
- Standards for life cycle impact evaluation and disclosure
- Covered product exemptions

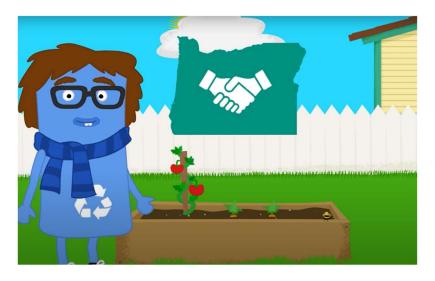
For more information and to register for Rulemaking Advisory Committee meetings, visit the Recycling 2024 Rulemaking website.

Commingled Recycling Processing Facilities Technical Workgroup

The next meeting of the Commingled Recycling Processing Facility technical workgroup is at 12:00 p.m. on August 14, 2023. The meeting will revisit performance standards and discuss measuring contamination and benchmarking certifications for responsible end markets. To view the agenda and meeting materials, please visit the workgroup website.

Learn more

Want to learn more about the Recycling Modernization Act? A good place to start is with Binny, the star of a video series describing the future of recycling in Oregon. Check out the videos on the main RMA web page.



Reach Out

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